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49/105. Cultural development

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 41/187 of 8 December 1986, in which it proclaimed the period 1988-1997 the World Decade for Cultural Development, to be observed under the auspices of the United Nations and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization,

Recalling also its resolution 46/157 of 19 December 1991, in which it invited the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to undertake the preparation of a global mid-term review of the Decade, including an examination by the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development of the summary evaluation report to be prepared by the Director-General,

Taking into account resolution 27 C/3.2 of 13 November 1993, 1/ adopted by the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization at its twenty-seventh session,

Recalling its resolution 46/158 of 19 December 1991, in which it endorsed the establishment of an independent World Commission on Culture and Development,

Taking into consideration Economic and Social Council resolution 1994/32 of 27 July 1994,

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1/ United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, Records of the General Conference, Twenty-seventh Session, vol. I, Resolutions, sect. III.3.

1. Takes note of the report of the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization on the progress made in relation to the World Decade for Cultural Development during the period 1992-1993; 2/

2. Also takes note of the examination of the mid-term summary evaluation report of the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization on the Plan of Action for the Decade; 3/

3. Acknowledges the progress made by Member States and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations in implementing the Plan of Action for the World Decade for Cultural Development, 4/ and encourages them to pursue their efforts in this respect during the second part of the Decade;

4. Welcomes the establishment of the independent World Commission on Culture and Development and looks forward to its report as requested in resolution 46/158;

5. Invites all States and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, and, within existing budgetary resources, organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system:

(*a*) When undertaking activities in connection with the Decade, to concentrate efforts on interdisciplinary projects of a regional and interregional scope and to encourage the formation of different types of partnerships for their implementation;

(*b*) To find appropriate ways to integrate cultural factors into all endeavours aimed at social and economic development and at the same time to promote intercultural understanding and appreciation;

6. Invites the regional commissions to consider undertaking, as a contribution to the final evaluation report on the Decade, in consultation with Governments and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, a study of the cultural factors influencing development as a potential creator of jobs and generator of income;

7. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-first session a sub-item entitled "Cultural development", and requests the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to submit a further progress report on the implementation of the Decade to the General Assembly through the Economic and Social Council in 1996.

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2/ A/49/159-E/1994/62/Add.1, annex, and Add.2, annex.

3/ A/49/159-E/1994/62, annex.

4/ E/1986/L.30, annex.

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49/106. Integration of the economies in transition into the world economy

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming its resolutions 47/175 and 47/187 of 22 December 1992 and 48/181 of 21 December 1993 and all its other relevant resolutions,

Taking note of the relevant decisions of the Economic Commission for Europe, namely, decisions B (49) and C (49) of 26 April 1994, 1/ and the relevant resolutions of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, namely, 50/1 and 50/2 of 13 April 1994, 2/

Taking note also of the report of the Secretary-General, 3/ the Economic Survey of Europe in 1993-1994, 4/ the Economic and Social Survey of Asia and the Pacific, 1993 5/ and the World Economic and Social Survey, 1994, 6/

1/ See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1994, Supplement No. 17 (E/1994/37), chap. IV.

2/ Ibid., Supplement No. 16 (E/1994/36), chap. IV.

3/ A/49/330.

4/ United Nations publication, Sales No. E.94.II.E.1.

5/ United Nations publication, Sales No. E.94.II.F.8.

6/ United Nations publication, Sales No. E.94.II.C.1 and corrigendum.

Noting the ongoing efforts of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank to encourage sound macroeconomic policies,

Reaffirming the need for the full integration of countries in transition from centrally planned to market economies, as well as all other countries, into the world economy, which is essential to sustainable development,

1. Invites the United Nations system to continue its support for the efforts of economies in transition as they transform their economies and integrate them into the world economy through, inter alia, adoption of the international standards and practices of countries with market economies;

2. Welcomes the measures undertaken by the United Nations system to strengthen its abilities in response to resolution 48/181 on the economies in transition, and calls upon the United Nations system to continue to conduct analytical activities and to provide policy advice and technical assistance to the economies in transition, tailored to each country's respective stage of economic transformation;

3. Calls upon the United Nations system to continue studying, within the scope of the implementation of the present resolution and while continuing the existing cooperation with relevant international institutions and entities, possible ways of enhancing economic and technical cooperation among countries with economies in transition, as well as with developing countries, identifying how the United Nations system can strengthen cooperation while avoiding duplication, with a view to encouraging greater participation by those countries in the world economy;

4. Requests the Secretary-General to submit a report on the implementation of the present resolution to the General Assembly at its fifty-first session.

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49/107. Programme for the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa (1993-2002)

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 47/177 of 22 December 1992, by which it adopted the programme for the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa, and its decision 48/456 of 21 December 1993, by which it endorsed Economic and Social Council resolution 1993/65 of 30 July 1993,

Recalling also the Mauritius Declaration on Africa's Accelerated Industrial Recovery and Development in the Context of the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa (1993-2002) and Beyond, adopted by the Conference of African Ministers of Industry at its eleventh meeting, held at Port Louis from 31 May to 3 June 1993,

Taking cognizance of the establishment of the African Economic Community and the need to ensure its operation,

Recalling further the resolutions adopted by the General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization at its fifth session, 1/ in particular resolution GC.5/Res.12 on the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa, resolution GC.5/Res.16 on the industrialization of the least developed countries and resolution GC.5/Res.20, containing the Yaoundé Declaration, 2/ which emphasized that the organization should pay special attention to the industrialization of the least developed countries,

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1/ See United Nations Industrial Development Organization, Decisions and Resolutions of the General Conference, Fifth Regular Session, Yaoundé, 6-10 December 1993 (GC.5/INF.4).

2/ Also reproduced in A/49/347, appendix.

and accord high priority to the industrialization of Africa and to the realization of the objectives of the Second Decade,

1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the programme for the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa (1993-2002); 3/

2. Reaffirms the importance of industrialization as a dynamic instrument of growth, essential to sustainable economic and social development of developing countries, particularly in Africa;

3. Considers industrial development to be an important vehicle for poverty eradication, income and employment generation, social integration and vertical diversification;

4. Recognizes the need for increasing the integration of African industry in world manufacturing, and for that purpose calls for the support of the international community in achieving the goals of the Second Decade;

5. Also recognizes the responsibility of the African countries in the implementation of the programme of the Second Decade, and calls upon them to continue to undertake appropriate measures to promote economic growth and sustainable development, including by continuing to promote a favourable climate for foreign investment;

6. Requests the United Nations Industrial Development Organization to give full assistance to improving the competitiveness of the industrial sector in Africa and to formulating measures to improve it in the light of the conclusion of the Uruguay Round of multilateral trade negotiations;

7. Also requests the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, in cooperation with the African Development Bank and other subregional, regional and international financial and banking institutions, to provide support, especially in the development of new and innovative measures to mobilize resources and promote foreign direct investment, to African countries;

8. Calls upon the Economic Commission for Africa and the Organization of African Unity to facilitate cooperation with the United Nations Industrial Development Organization in order to provide support to improve African industrial cooperation and to integrate the African Economic Community into the industrial sphere, particularly in the areas of industrial policy, technology, human resource development, industrial investment, small-scale industries, enterprise development and institutional infrastructure, all of these being essential for poverty eradication, employment generation, social integration and vertical integration;

9. Requests the Secretary-General to report on the implementation of the present resolution to the General Assembly at its fiftieth session.

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49/108. Industrial development cooperation

The General Assembly,

Recalling the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, 1/ the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade, 2/ and the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s, 3/

Recalling also its resolutions 45/196 of 21 December 1990, 46/146 of 17 December 1991 and 47/153 of 18 December 1992 on industrial development cooperation and the diversification and modernization of productive activities in developing countries, and Economic and Social Council resolution 1992/44 of 31 July 1992 on the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa,

Recalling further the resolutions adopted by the General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization at its fifth session, 4/ in particular resolutions GC.5/Res.20, by which it adopted the

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1/ Resolution S-18/3, annex.

2/ Resolution 45/199, annex.

3/ Resolution 46/151, annex, sect. II.

4/ See United Nations Industrial Development Organization, Decisions and Resolutions of the General Conference, Fifth Regular Session, Yaoundé, 6-10 December 1993 (GC.5/INF.4).

Yaoundé Declaration, 5/ and GC.5/Res.12 on the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa,

Taking note of the report of the Director-General of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization on industrial development cooperation 6/ and the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the programme for the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa (1993-2002), 7/

1. Stresses the importance of industrialization as a dynamic instrument of growth that is essential to the rapid economic and social development of developing countries;

2. Emphasizes the importance of industrial development cooperation and a positive investment and business climate, at the international, regional, subregional and national levels, in promoting the expansion, diversification and modernization of productive capacities in developing countries;

3. Reaffirms the essential role of industrialization and entrepreneurship as a means of achieving socially beneficial economic development by eradicating poverty, creating productive employment and facilitating social integration, including the integration of women into the development process;

4. Also reaffirms the central coordinating role played by the United Nations Industrial Development Organization in the United Nations system in the field of the industrial development of developing countries;

5. Recalls the process of restructuring that is currently under way in the United Nations system, and welcomes in that context the recent reform and restructuring of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, which should enable it, in promoting industrial development, to respond effectively to the needs of the developing countries, in particular the least developed among them and those in Africa, by providing high-quality services that are focused on clearly defined objectives;

6. Invites the organizations and bodies of the United Nations system, in particular the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, to contribute, in the context of their programmes and activities, to achieving the aims and action programmes adopted by the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development 8/ and by the International Conference on

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5/ Also reproduced in A/49/347, appendix.

6/ A/49/347, annex.

7/ A/49/372.

8/ See Report of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, Rio de Janeiro, 3-14 June 1992 (A/CONF.151/26/Rev.1 (Vol. I, Vol. I/Corr.1, Vol. II, Vol. III and Vol. III/Corr.1)) (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.93.I.8 and corrigenda), vol. I: Resolutions Adopted by the Conference.

Population and Development, 9/ and calls upon them to contribute to the preparations for the World Summit for Social Development, the Fourth World Conference on Women and the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II);

7. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its fifty-first session a report on the implementation of the present resolution.

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9/ See A/CONF.171/13.

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49/109. United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II)

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 47/180 of 22 December 1992, by which it decided to convene the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) from 3 to 14 June 1996, and to establish both a preparatory committee and an ad hoc secretariat for the Conference,

Reiterating its gratitude to the Government of Turkey for offering to act as host to the Conference, which is to be held at Istanbul,

Reaffirming the importance for Habitat II, inter alia, of the principles contained in the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development, 1/ and the objectives, basis for action, activities and means of implementation of those activities, set out in chapter 7 of Agenda 21 entitled "Promoting sustainable human settlements development", and in relevant provisions of chapter 28, entitled "Local authorities' initiatives in support of Agenda 21", 2/

1/ Report of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, Rio de Janeiro, 3-14 June 1992 (A/CONF.151/26/Rev.1 (Vol. I and Vol. I/Corr.1, Vol. II, Vol. III and Vol. III/Corr.1)) (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.93.I.8 and corrigenda), vol. I: Resolutions Adopted by the Conference, resolution 1, annex I.

2/ Ibid., annex II.

Noting with interest the progress made so far in the preparations for the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II), as described in the reports of the Preparatory Committee for the Conference on its organizational session 3/ and its first session, 4/ as well as in the report of the Secretary-General on the progress of work of the Preparatory Committee and the ad hoc secretariat for the Conference, 5/

Also noting with interest the report of the Commission on Human Settlements on its fourteenth session, 6/

Taking note of the recommendations relevant to human settlements contained in the report of the Commission on Sustainable Development at its second session, 7/

Noting with concern that the resources currently available to the secretariat for the Conference, through voluntary contributions, among other sources, including redeployment of resources from the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat), remain insufficient to support the preparatory process for the Conference on the scale envisaged by the General Assembly in resolution 47/180, in particular with respect to the ability of the secretariat to provide assistance to developing countries and other States requiring such assistance in their national preparatory efforts for the Conference,

1. Takes note of the reports of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) on its organizational session, held at United Nations Headquarters from 3 to 5 March 1993 3/ and its first substantive session, held at the United Nations Office at Geneva from 11 to 22 April 1994, 4/ and endorses the decisions contained therein;

2. Takes note with appreciation of the report of the Secretary-General concerning progress in the preparations for the Conference; 5/

3. Approves the recommendation contained in decision I/1 of the Preparatory Committee that a third substantive session of the Preparatory Committee, of relatively short duration, be held at United Nations

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3/ See Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 37 (A/48/37).

4/ Ibid., Forty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 37 (A/49/37).

5/ See A/49/272.

6/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 8 (A/48/8).

7/ See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1994, Supplement No. 13 (E/1994/33).

Headquarters early in 1996 to complete the preparatory work for the Conference; 8/

4. Welcomes the recommendations made by the Preparatory Committee in its decision I/2 on preparations at the country, regional and global levels, on the draft statement of principles and commitments and on the draft global plan of action, which is to be structured around the two main themes of the Conference: "Adequate shelter for all" and "Sustainable human settlements development in an urbanizing world"; 8/

5. Notes with interest the call by the Secretary-General of the United Nations to give the Conference the dimensions of a "city summit", and reaffirms its decision that the Conference should be held at the highest possible level of participation; 9/

6. Recommends that the global plan of action of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) take into account the outcome of all relevant United Nations global conferences;

7. Requests the Secretary-General to ensure that all relevant organs, organizations, agencies and programmes intensify their efforts and cooperate closely to prepare for the Conference;

8. Recommends that the inclusion of sustainable human settlements issues, as contained in chapter 7 of Agenda 21, be given appropriate attention within the context of an agenda for development, which is being prepared pursuant to General Assembly resolutions 47/181 of 22 December 1992 and 48/166 of 21 December 1993, and reaffirms that the overall human settlements objective is to improve the social, economic and environmental quality of human settlements and the living and working environments of all people, in particular the urban and rural poor;

9. Expresses its sincere appreciation to those States and organizations that have made or pledged financial or other contributions in support of the preparatory activities for the Conference, and requests the Secretary-General of the Conference to continue to make every effort to raise the extrabudgetary resources required for Conference activities and preparations;

10. Renews its appeal to all Governments, especially those of the developed countries and others in a position to do so, and to international and regional financial institutions, to contribute substantially to the voluntary funds established by the General Assembly in resolution 47/180 for the purpose of financing preparatory activities for the Conference and of supporting developing countries, in particular the least developed among them, in participating fully and effectively in the Conference and its preparatory process;

11. Requests that the work of the Preparatory Committee and the ad hoc secretariat of Habitat II should continue to be funded within existing United

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8/ See Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 37 (A/49/37), annex I.

9/ Resolution 47/180, para. 1.

Nations budgetary resources to ensure that the Conference will be treated adequately with respect to other global international United Nations conferences;

12. Takes note of the contributions of the United Nations organizations, agencies and programmes and other relevant organizations active in the field of human settlements to the work of the Preparatory Committee in the discharge of its mandate and invites them to mobilize financial resources to assist developing countries, at their request, in the preparation of their national reports;

13. Encourages all relevant interested non-governmental organizations, particularly those from developing countries, to participate in, and contribute to the Conference and its preparatory process, on the basis of procedures followed at recent United Nations conferences;

14. Also encourages the above-mentioned organizations to contribute fully to increasing world awareness of the problems and potential of human settlements as important inputs to social progress and economic growth, and world leaders to commit themselves to making cities, towns and villages in their countries healthy, safe, just and sustainable;

15. Requests the regional commissions to include in their programme of activities for 1995 an item on the preparations for the Conference, with particular emphasis on preparations in their respective regions, and to submit a report on those preparations to the General Assembly at its fiftieth session;

16. Calls upon all States to encourage the broad-based participation of local authorities and all relevant actors, including the scientific community, industry, trade unions, non-governmental organizations and the private sector, in the national, regional and international preparatory process and to encourage a wide exchange of information and experience in this respect, in particular on the programmes of work and activities of national committees;

17. Requests the Secretary-General of the United Nations, in consultation with the Secretary-General of the Conference, to report to the General Assembly at its fiftieth session on the progress made in the preparations for the Conference, including the implementation of the present resolution;

18. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its fiftieth session, under the agenda item "Sustainable development and international economic cooperation", the sub-item entitled "United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II)".

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